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LETTERS OF WINNERS IN MIST CONTEST
(Continued from Page 1)

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Very truly yours,

MARION MORTON.

Fifth Grade—First Prize

Rainier, Ore., Mar. 22, 1918.

The Mist Publishing Co.

Dear Sirs: I buy thrift stamps to help win the war. We are in a terrible war with a very strong nation and we must win it so as to not tear the beautiful American flag down and have the German flag in its place. It is every man's, woman's and child's duty to help win the war. If we can not go to France and fight for our country we can buy thrift stamps to help furnish nurses and medicine to cure the wounded of our soldiers and allies. Our mothers and fathers can help by buying bonds or thrift stamps. Our country must have fighting materials in order to win so our government must have money to build ships, to buy cannons, cannon

balls and many different instruments to fight with.

Yours truly,

MILDRED DOLAN.

Fifth Grade—Second Prize

St. Helens, Ore., March 21.

Thrift Stamp Contest Department:

When America first became settled the people were very thrifty but at last there were so many advantages and food was so easily had that when this war started America was the most extravagant country in the world.

Since America has entered the war every one must save. The government has provided thrift stamps so we can loan money to the government and draw an interest on it then we help win the war and help to save our flag and keep America a free nation. We supply our sailors and soldiers with things to make them comfortable and keep Germany away from ruling America so we will not be a monarchy but a free nation.

By learning to save in my youth I will become a useful woman and a thrifty citizen.

MARION STEN.

Fifth Grade—Third Prize

Rainier, Oregon, March 22, 1918.

The St. Helens Mist Thrift Contest

Dept.

Dear Sirs: I am going to tell why I buy War Saving Stamps, because we are at war with one of the greatest nations we have ever fought. We have to win this war and we are going to help by buying War Saving Stamps. Millions of mothers are sending their sons and we have to send money by the millions of dollars. We have to send out hundreds of ships every year, and pay the men that are doing the work. We have to send nurses and medicine, pay soldiers, train dogs and pay for all of this. Our father's are going we must help them by saving food and money. We must raise garden, raise sheep, and save the wool. The soldiers are giving their lives for their country and to keep "Old Glory" waving on high we are going to help and not let them do it all.

Yours truly,

ETHEL MAGILL.

Fifth Grade—Fourth Prize

St. Helens, Oregon.

The Thrift Contest Department.

Dear Sirs: These are some of my reasons that I buy thrift and war saving stamps. The first reason is to loan our money to the Government. So they may buy ammunition, clothing and food for our sailors and soldiers. Also for the little French children that are starving and dieing day after day.

We also want our President to know that we want to win this war as much as he does. We want to let our land be free as long as it can. We want the Germans to know that we will win this Worlds war. Also we want the Germans to know that our country is going to be free and that they shall not destroy it.

Yours truly,

NAOMI CHITTIM.

Fourth Grade—First Prize

St. Helens, Ore., March 22, 1918.

The Thrift Contest Department:

Dear Sirs: I want to tell you why we of the United States buy War and Thrift stamps. The thing we want to do is to let the President and our Government know that we want to win this war as well they do.

We buy Thrift stamps to buy alra and steel brass and lead for the ship builders to build wooden and steel ships to ship food to France and also soldiers and sailors and air men.

And to buy airplanes and machine guns and canuns and bombs afill and depth bombs to destroy the germans submoreens airplanes so we can win the war and keep the fighting Belgun from starvasion And to save our flag and the allies frage and to have a free government and President and not a old monark one like Grmany has.

Your truly

JOHN LAFFERTY.

Fourth Grade—Second Prize

March 25, 1918.

Editor of St. Helens Mist.

Dear Sir: I am saveing all my money to buy thrift stamps to help the government to get money to buy food and clothes and guns for our soldiers who are fighting for us in this great war with Germany. Thrift stamps is a loan to the government of United States. And I think every boy and girl in United States should buy Thrift Stamps to help our boys who are fighting for the honor of our countrys flag. I know we will win because we have such brave soldier boys. So please buy a Thrift Stamp to help win.

EVELYN ELLEFSETH.

Fourth Grade—Third Prize

Goble, Ore.

Why We Should Buy War Saving

Stamps.

We should be glad to buy these stamps because it is the smallest investment there is that pays such a high rate of interest and it teaches us to save our money that we would perhaps spend foolishly or for small things of no value.

The money for the stamps is needed by the government to buy clothing and food, bedding, guns and am-

munition, horses and their food and equipment for the soldiers, Aeroplanes, ships, submarines, torpedoes, motor trucks and ambulances, and soldiers pay.

If the soldiers are willing to fight we ought to do our bit by saving and so help them to win.

We must help our government to raise large sums of money to loan to our allies.

We children should work and earn money for "War Saving Stamps" besides we may use what we have saved for them.

OPAL HUNTER.

Fourth Grade—Fourth Prize

Bachelor Flat Scholl.

Why I Buy Thrift Stamps

I buy thrift stamps because I want to the Government win the war. I am doing my bit to loan the little money I can save, to the Government. Every little bit, from every boy or girl will help win will help win the war. The Government needs money to carry on the war, and if everyone will save the money they can earn, it will help, there being so many boys and girls in United States. When we can do it we should do it, for if the Germans took our country from us it would be bad for us, and we must not let them do it. If the people of United States go without everything that is unnecessary and save the money to buy thrift stamps and war saving certificates it can be done.

Yours truly,

RUTH McKEE.

Third Grade—First Prize

Clatskanie, Oreg., Mch, 21, 1918

Thrift Contest Dept. of Mist.

Dear Sirs: The thrift stamps are used to help win the war in such a way that every boy and girl as well as the men and women can do their bit. We will all appreciate victory more if we have invested our pennies and dimes to the good of the cause.

We think that the more thrift stamps we buy and the more we can persuade other to buy just helps that much to give the Kaiser the blow which he deserves.

We are all saving our money so that we may do all we can to help Uncle Sam.

Yours very truly

ISABELLA SIMMONS.

Third Grade—Second Prize

Houlton, Ore., March 22, 1918.

Thrift Department St. Helens Mist.

I am buying thrift stamps to help feed the soldiers in France. I we win the war I am going to give all my money to the people of Europe to help fix up the country. You save for America of you slave for the Kaiser. I am reading "Over the Top now." When you buy a thrift stamp it means a bullet. The government need ever penny to help win the war. I have two war saving stamps now. If I were old enough I would fight the Kaiser and the Germans too. I am going to get some more thrift stamps as soon as possible. I am going to loan some more of my money to the government as soon as I can.

Yours truly,

JOE PAYNE.

Third Grade—Third Prize

Rainier, Oregon, March 22.

St. Helens Mist, St. Helens, Oregon.

Dear Sirs: I buy Thrift stamps to help win the war. And to help our government. My father buys Bonds to help win the war. And I buy Thrift stamps to help win the war. I can't be a soldier in France but I can buy Thrift stamps. I am trying to help the war as much as I can. Every boy should do his bit. Every girl should do her bit. I will give up every thing I have to save the nation. We have to send food and clothing over to our allies. Do we want the American flag torn down and the german flag put up.

Yours truly,

AUSTIN RUSSELL.

Third Grade—Fourth Prize

Why I Buy Thrift Stamps

I buy Thrift Stamps and loan it to the government and to help win the war, and so the soldiers can have food and clothes.

We help the soldiers to ge the airship and battle ship. We are helping Belgum from starving. I earn my money to buy the Thrift Stamps. The war is awful. Lots of soldiers are shot in the war.

I hope the war will soon be over. I would be glad to see all the soldiers over with with the war. The Germans are awful to the Belgum children and mothers and fathers. We will help win the war by buying Thrift stamps.

ASTRI HANSON.

Rainier, Oregon.

NOTICE

I have money on hand to pay the following warrants:

General Road Fund Endorsement including October 8th, 1917.

ond Dist. No. 1 Endorsement including March 5th, 1918.

Road Dist. No. 3. Endorsement including January 5th, 1918.

Road Dist. No. 5. Endorsement including December 12th, 1917.

Road Dist. No. 7. Endorsement including December 15th, 1917.

Road Dist. No. 10 Endorsement including April 8th, 1918.

Road Dist. No. 12 Endorsement including March 20th, 1918.

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